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Re: Renewed Petition Under 37 CFR 1.137(b)

United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/455,964

For: A METHOD OF CREATING A SEMANTIC VIDEO SUMMARY USING

INFORMATION FROM SECONDARY SOURCES

Filed: December 6, 1999

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing is a Renewed Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally under 37 U.S.C. 1.137 (b) along with a copy of the decision on Petition dated February 4, 2004. Additionally, we enclose historical documents including an Amendment in Response dated November 21, 2003 which included a Petition for Extension of Time to Respond to the Outstanding Office Action along with an acknowledgment postcard stamped and dated by the USPTO. Also we note that the Petition Fee has been accepted previously and no fee is due at this time. We include an acknowledgment postcard herewith.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 03-1550 for any additional fees which may be required or credit any over payments to that account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin L. Russell

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# PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 U.S.C. 1.137(B)

Docket No. KLR 7146.0048

pplicant: Qian, et al.

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The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a response an outstanding Office Action within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Office Action dated April 28, 2003. The abandonment date of this application is October 29, 2003 (i.e. the day after the expiration date set for reply).

### APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION

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	□ Small entity statement enclosed herewith.							
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		A copy of the Amendment filed in Response to the April 28, 2003 Office Action;								
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☒ A copy of the USPTO's February 4, 2004 Office Action "ON PETITION"; and

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In re Application of Qian et al. Application No. 09/455,964 Filed: December 6, 1999 Attorney Docket No. KLR:7146.048

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed November 24, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

Any request for reconsideration must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. No further petition fee is required for the request. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)." This is **not** a final agency action within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. § 704.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely reply to the non-final Office action mailed April 28, 2003. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were timely obtained. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on July 29, 2003.

A grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by:

(1) the required reply,1

the petition fee,
 a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional, and

(4) a terminal disclaimer and fee if the application was filed on or before June 8, 1995 or if the application is a design application.

Where there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137 was unintentional, the Commissioner may require additional information.<sup>2</sup>

In a nonprovisional application abandoned for failure to prosecute, the required reply may be met by the filing of a continuing application. In an application or patent, abandoned or lapsed for failure to pay the issue fee or any portion thereof, the required reply must be the payment of the issue fee or any outstanding balance thereof.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See MPEP 711.03(c)(III)(C) and (D).

The instant petition lacks item (3). After a review of the file, it appears that petitioner did not include an actual petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), but rather only indicated payment for one on the fee transmittal sheet. In this regard, the required unintentional delay statement was not included. Enclosed is a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) form, which also can be found on the USPTO website, for petitioner's convenience.

An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum extendable period for reply. See In re Application of S., 8 USPQ2d 1630, 1631 (Comm'r Pats. 1988). Accordingly, since the \$950.00 extension of time fee submitted with the petition on November 24, 2003 was subsequent to the maximum extendable period for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be credited to petitioner's deposit account as authorized.

Further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed as follows:

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**AMENDMENT** 

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of April 28, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are not included with this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are not included with this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

1 (amended). A method of creating a semantic summary of a video comprising the steps of:

- (a) identifying a domain of said video;
- (b) using said domain to locate information related to said video at a source other than said video;
- (c) extracting a datum related to a semantic event from said information; and
- (d) <u>identifying a portion of said video</u> extracting content related to said semantic event from said video related to said datum.

2 (original). The method of claim 1 wherein said information is a textual summary of events.

3 (original). The method of claim 1 wherein said information is included in a worldwide web site.

4 (original). The method of claim 1 wherein said information is included in an electronic programming guide.

5 (original). The method of claim 1 wherein said domain is identified from an electronic programming guide.

6 (original). The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of selection of said datum by a user of said summary.

7 (amended). A method of abstracting video comprising the steps of:

- (a) locating an index of said video from a source external to said video;
- b) identifying a domain of said video for creating a video abstraction;
- (c) using said domain <u>together with</u> to identify in said index <u>to identify</u>

  <u>portions of said</u> video for inclusion in said <u>video</u> abstraction; and
- (d) extracting said identified <u>portions of said</u> video <u>from said video to</u> form said video abstraction.

8 (original). The method of claim 7 wherein said index is included in a worldwide web site.

9 (original). The method of claim 7 wherein said index is included in an electronic programming guide.

10 (original). The method of claim 7 further comprising the step of identification of said domain by a user of said abstraction.

11 (amended). A method of creating a semantic summary of a video comprising the steps of:

- (a) identifying a domain of said video;
- (b) using said domain to locate a textual summary of said video;
- extracting a datum related to a semantic event relevant to said video summary from said textual summary;
- (d) locating content in said video corresponding to said datum; and
- (e) extracting said content related to said semantic event <u>from said</u>

  <u>video</u> corresponding to said datum <del>from said video</del> for inclusion in

  <del>said</del> <u>a semantic</u> summary <u>including at least one portion of said</u>

  video.

12 (amended). A method of abstracting video comprising the steps of:

- (a) locating an index of said video in at least one of a worldwide web site and a programming guide;
- (b) identification of a domain of said video <u>for creating a video</u> abstraction by a user <del>of said abstraction</del>;
- (c) using said domain <u>together with</u> to select in said index <u>video</u> to <u>identify portions of said video</u> for inclusion in said <u>video</u> abstraction; and
- (d) extracting said identified <u>portions of said</u> video <u>from said video to</u> <u>form said video extraction</u>.

### **REMARKS**

The Examiner rejected claims 1-4 and 6 under 35 U.S.C. Section 102(b) as being anticipated by Dodson et al., EP 0,848,554.

Dodson et al. teach a system for accessing television program information, such as context sensitive information using the Internet. See Dodson et al., abstract. For the domain of a "movie", the user may do a textual search for context sensitive information, such as the program title, actors, start time, end time, and director. See, Dodson et al., Figs. 2 and 3. The result of the textual search is an overlay 400 that includes a list of textual hits associated with the movie. See, Dodson et al. Fig. 4. As it may be observed, the textual hits include identification to further textual information that the user may desire to access, such as textual movie reviews, textual interviews with the actors, and a textual account of the directors' interpretation. When one of the textual hits is selected an overlay appears of that further textual information. See, Dodson et al. Fig. 5. Accordingly, Dodson et al. is directed to a textual search mechanism to locate additional textual information associated with the movie for display to the user.

Claim 1 patentably distinguishes over Dodson et al. by claiming a method of creating a semantic summary of a video that includes identifying a domain of the video; using the domain to locate information related to the video at a source other than the video; extracting a datum related to a semantic event from the information; and identifying a portion of the video related to the datum.

In contrast, Dodson et al. does not identify a portion of the video related to the datum, but rather the additional textual information is simply associated with the video as a whole.

Claims 2-6 depend from claim 1 and are patentable for the same reasons asserted for claim 1.

The Examiner rejected claims 7-10 and 12 under 35 U.S.C. Section 102(e) as being anticipated by Boyer et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,268,849.

Boyer et al. disclose an interactive television program guide for use by a user. A server provides the textual content together with multimedia clips of information

related to the shows identified within the program guide to the user as needed. See, column 2, lines 24-65. As illustrated in FIG. 8, the user may select among many different presentation formats. For example, the user may select a sporting event in progress and also receive real-time embedded data and any associated supplemental information. See, column 8, lines 57-62. This associated data is simply associated with the video as a whole. As illustrated in FIGS. 9 and 10, the user may navigate through the television program guide and ultimately view multimedia clips and supplemental information, such as statistics (see FIG. 10).

Claim 7 patentably distinguishes over Boyer et al. by claiming a method of abstracting video including locating an index of the video from a source external to the video and identifying a domain of the video for creating a video abstraction. Then using the domain together with index to identify portions of the video for inclusion in the video abstraction. Then extracting the identified portions of the video from the video to form the video abstraction.

Claim 12 patentably distinguishes over Boyer et al. for similar reasons.

Boyer et al. simply fail to suggest using the index together with identifying a domain to create the video abstraction from the video itself. Rather, Boyer et al. simply disclose a system by which video (multimedia) and textual information related to a video are accessible to the user.

Claims 8-10 depend from claim 7 and are patentable for the same reasons asserted for claim 7.

The Examiner rejected claim 11 as being anticipated by Schein et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,002,394.

Schein et al. in FIGS. 16A-20C disclose a electronic programming guide that includes the ability for navigation.

Claim 11 patentably distinguishes over Schein et al. by claiming extracting content related to the semantic event from the video corresponding to the datum for inclusion in a semantic summary including at least one portion of said video.

Schein et al. fail to suggest the extraction of video content from the video for a semantic summary based upon the datum.

The applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner believes that for any reason direct contact with applicant's attorney would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number below.

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